December 16, 2014

MINUTES of the a Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Board of Council of the Town of Secaucus, County of Hudson, State of New Jersey held on the 16th day of December, 2014 at 7:00 P.M. in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Government Center, Secaucus, NJ.

Present: Councilmembers: Michael Gonnelli
Gary Jeffas
Robert Costantino
William McKeever
James Clancy
Susan Pirro
Mark Dehnert

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The following statement was read by Town Clerk Michael Marra:

"Adequate notice for this meeting, as required by the Open Public Meetings Act, has been provided by the filing of the notice of Meetings with the Municipal Clerk, the posting of said notice on the official bulletin board in the Municipal Building, and the delivery of same to the Secaucus Home News on December 26, 2013".

This body wishes to advise you that in accordance with N.J.A.C.5:23-11.1, et seq. of the Indoor Air Quality Standards and Procedures for Buildings Occupied by Public Employees, smoking anywhere in this public building is prohibited by law.

A moment of silence was held for Pat De Ferrari.

It was announced that Kevin Flaherty would be the Officer in Charge for the Secaucus Police Department.

Nicholas Lang was sworn in as a member of the Secaucus Volunteer Fire Department, Engine #2.

Plaques were given to various individuals and companies for their contributions to the Town and various events held by the Town.

A check was presented to Unico for their assistance with Hope for the Warriors run.

The Indian Caucus of Secaucus donated toys to the Secaucus Emergency Fund.

Shimee Maydar was given a plaque for his contribution to delivering toys to the needy. Daniel Conroy was also honored in connection with this project.

Plaques were presented to the following companies:

American Spraytech
Certified Moving and Storage
White Toque, Inc.
Citiwise Causalwear
At Last Sportswear
Select Express
David & Young
Macy's

The first item on the agenda is as follows:

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The following resolution was read: No. 2014-420

TOWN OF SECAUCUS, COUNTY OF HUDSON
RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Secaucus, that the minutes of the Regular Meetings of October 28, 2014, November 10, 2014, November 25, 2014 and the Special Meeting of December 3, 2014 are hereby approved.

Councilwoman Pirro moved to approve the minutes, seconded by Councilman Costantino.

AYES: Jeffas, Costantino, McKeever, Clancy, Pirro, Dehnert, Gonnelli
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: Clancy on November 25, 2014 only.
ABSENT: None Motion carried.

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The following ordinance was read for public hearing: No. 2014-36

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 127 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWN OF SECAUCUS ENTITLED "VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC" TO UPDATE LOCATIONS WITHIN THE TOWN WHERE PARKING IS PROHIBITED DURING SNOW EMERGENCIES

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council recognize that the safety of all motorists, passengers, pedestrians, residents and visitors is of concern particularly during adverse weather and snow emergencies; and

WHEREAS, the Town enacted §127-1 et seq. to address traffic flow, to alleviate dangerous situations on the Town's streets, promote safe passage for motorists and vehicles, and specify penalties for violations; and

WHEREAS, the Town under said Ordinance addresses the prohibition of parking in designated locations whenever a snow emergency is declared by the Superintendent of the Department of Public Works, the Police Chief or their designee in the interest of public safety; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council have determined that changes to the Ordinance are warranted to update certain locations specified in the Ordinance and add additional locations based upon the review of appropriate departments for the safe passage of emergency vehicles, snow equipment and motorists; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Secaucus, County of Hudson, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. Chapter 127 entitled "Vehicles and Traffic," §127-39" "No parking during snow emergencies" of the Code of the Town of Secaucus be, and is hereby amended and supplemented to read as follows: (additions are indicated in bold, deletions are have ~~strikethroughs~~):

§ 127-39. No parking during snow emergencies.

A. Whenever snow has fallen and the accumulation is such that the Superintendent of the Department of Public Works or Police Chief or their designee shall declare a snow emergency, then no vehicles shall be parked on the following streets or highways or portions thereof. [Amended 1-28-97 by Ord. No. 97-5]

Street	Side	Location
...		
~~Patterson~~ Paterson Plank Road	Both	Entire length
...		
Tenth Street [Added 1-28-97 by Ord. No. 97-5]	Both	~~From Front Street to Tenth Street~~ Entire length
Franklin Street	North	From Garry Terrace to Gillis Place
Paulanne Terrace	North	Entire length
Bend at West end of Paulanne Terrace and Julianne Terrace	West	Entire length

2. There are no other changes to this Chapter of the Code of the Town of Secaucus.

3. All Ordinances and parts of Ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

4. If any section, paragraph, subdivision, clause or provision of this Ordinance shall be adjudged invalid, such adjudication shall apply only to that section, subdivision, clause or provision so adjudged and the remainder of this Ordinance shall be deemed to be valid and effective.

5. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon passage and publication in accordance with law.

IT IS FURTHER ORDAINED that the remainder of this Chapter 127 of the Code of the Town of Secaucus shall remain in full force and effect.

Mayor Gonnelli asked if anyone wished to be heard regarding the foregoing proposed ordinance. There being no one requesting the floor, Councilman Clancy moved that the public hearing be closed, seconded by Councilman Jeffas.

AYES: Jeffas, Costantino, McKeever, Pirro, Clancy, Dehnert, Gonnelli
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None Motion carried.

Councilman Clancy moved that the foregoing ordinance be finally adopted, seconded by Councilman Jeffas.

AYES: Jeffas, Costantino, McKeever, Pirro, Clancy, Dehnert, Gonnelli
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None Motion carried.

The following ordinance was read for public hearing: No. 2014-37

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 127-58B OF THE CODE OF THE TOWN OF SECAUCUS ENTITLED "DESIGNATION OF LOCATIONS AT OR NEAR PRIVATE RESIDENCES"

SECTION 1

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Secaucus that Section 127-58B - "Designation of Locations at or Near Private Residences" shall be amended by adding the following location:

NAME OF STREET	SIDE	LOCATION
Cedar Avenue	North	On the north side of Cedar Avenue, beginning at a point 47 feet east of the northeast corner of Cedar Avenue and Paterson Plank Road continuing east for a distance of 22 feet to the left of 805 Cedar Avenue

That the parking space designated for 806 Cedar Avenue adopted by Ordinance is to be personalized for License Plate HV1069.

If the Placard/License Plate Numbers for the person utilizing the parking space at the above listed address changes, then the parking space designation shall be changed to the new placard/plate with proof from the resident that it is for the same person that the person is still entitled to handicapped parking.

SECTION 2

SEVERABILITY

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that the provisions of this ordinance are separable and if any provision, clause, sentence, subsection, word or part thereof is held illegal, invalid, or unconstitutional, or inapplicable to any person or circumstance, such illegality, invalidity or unconstitutionality, or inapplicability shall not affect or impair any of the remaining provisions, clauses, sentences, subsections, words, or parts of the regulation or their application to other persons or circumstances. It is hereby declared to be the legislative intent that this ordinance would have been adopted if such illegal, invalid, or unconstitutional provision, clause, sentence, subsection, word or part had not been included therein, and if such persons or circumstances, to which the ordinance or part thereof is held inapplicable, had been specifically exempted therefrom.

SECTION 3

EFFECTIVE DATE

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that this ordinance shall take effect upon passage and publication as provided by law.

Mayor Gonnelli asked if anyone wished to be heard regarding the foregoing proposed ordinance. There being no one requesting the floor, Councilman Costantino moved that the public hearing be closed, seconded by Councilman McKeever.

AYES: Jeffas, Costantino, McKeever, Clancy, Pirro, Dehnert, Gonnelli
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None Motion carried.

Councilwoman Pirro moved that the foregoing ordinance be finally adopted, seconded by Councilman Clancy.

AYES: Jeffas, Costantino, McKeever, Clancy, Pirro, Dehnert, Gonnelli
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None Motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA-RESOLUTIONS

All matters listed under Consent Agenda are considered to be routine by the Mayor and Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items. If discussion is desired, that item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and will be considered separately.

The following resolution was read: No. 2014-421

GRANT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TOWN OF SECAUCUS AND THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY BY AND FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIROMENTAL PROTECTION

GRANT IDENTIFIER: HURRICAN SANDY COASTAL RESILIANCY COMPETITIVE GRANT PROGRAM

The governing body of the Town of Secaucus desires to further the public interest by obtaining a grant from the State of New Jersey in the amount of approximately $225,000 to fund the following project:

Restoration and implementation of living shoreline at the Coast Guard Auxiliary Marina and installation of wetland buffers to enhance resiliency of the community and coaster ecosystems.

Therefore, the governing body resolves that Michael Gonnelli and/or David Drumeler or the successor to the office of Mayor or Town Administrator is authorized (a to make application for such a grand; (b) if awarded, to execute a grant agreement with the State for a grant in an amount not less than $225,000 and not more than $225,000; and (c)to execute any amendments thereto.

*The Town Council of the Town of Secaucus authorizes and hereby agrees to match $75,000 of the Total Project Amount, in compliance with the match requirements of the agreement, the availability of the match for such purposes, whether cash, services or property, is hereby certified.$50,000 of the match will be made up of in-kind services.

The Grantee agreed to comply with all applicable federal, state and municipal laws, rules and regulations in its performance pursuant to the agreement.

Introduced and passed December 16, 2014.

The following resolution was read: No. 2014-422

TOWN OF SECAUCUS, COUNTY OF HUDSON
RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Town of Secaucus Animal Shelter, has the need for Veterinarian Services; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Secaucus solicited RFP's for these services; and

WHEREAS, the Animal Hospital and Laser Surgery Center of Secaucus, New Jersey was awarded a contract in the amount of $20,000.00; and

WHEREAS, Change Order #1, was necessary and awarded on Resolution 2014-228, in the amount of $20,000.00; increasing the contract to $40,000.00; and

WHEREAS, Change Order #2, was necessary and awarded on Resolution 2014-367, in the amount of $10,000.00, increasing the contract to $50,000.00; and

WHEREAS, CHANGE ORDER #3, is required to increase the contract by $5,000.00, to the amount of $55,000.00; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Secaucus, to award Change Order #3, in the amount of $5,000.00 to Animal Hospital and Laser Surgery Center of Secaucus, New Jersey.

The following resolution was read: No. 2014-423

TOWN OF SECAUCUS, COUNTY OF HUDSON
RE: MATERA NURSERY & GARDEN SUPPLIES

WHEREAS, The Town of Secaucus, Department of Public Works; Buildings and Grounds, has the need for various Nursery and Garden Supplies, as well as Power Equipment and Parts, for proper maintenance of such ; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Secaucus, wishes to utilize the Vendor: Matera Nursery and Garden Supplies of Fairview, New Jersey, for these goods and services; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Secaucus wishes to utilize the Alternate Process to acquire these goods and services, through Matera Nursery and Garden of Fairview, New Jersey; and
WHEREAS, the goods and services offered by Matera Nursery are above the Town of Secaucus threshold of $36,000.00; and

WHEREAS, the Vendor; Matera Nursery will be in full compliance of the necessary Alternate Pay to Play Non-Fair and Open process, regulations and measures of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.27; as well as all necessary Compliance forms required by the State of New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Secaucus additionally, has acquired Power Equipment from Matera Nursery through the use of Quotes, in costs under the Town of Secaucus threshold; and
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Secaucus to award the Goods and Services, of Matera Nursery and Garden Supplies of Fairview, New Jersey, in an amount not to exceed $50,000.00.

The following resolution was read: No. 2014-424

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF CONTRACT FOR PAYROLL SERVICES

WHEREAS, the Town of Secaucus has the need to acquire Payroll and HR Services; as a Non-Fair and Open Contract, pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4; and
WHEREAS, the anticipated term of this contract is one year, and may be extended for two (2) additional (1) one-year terms, as approved by the governing body; and

WHEREAS, PAYLOCITY PAYROLL SERVICES AKA/SYNERGY PAYROLL, LLC. of Clark, New Jersey has submitted a Proposal dated November 17, 2014, indicating they will provide the Payroll and related HR Services in the amount of $49,422.00; and

WHEREAS, the Purchasing Agent has determined that these services exceed the Town of Secaucus threshold of $36,000.00; and
WHEREAS, Paylocity Payroll Services of Clark, New Jersey, in in Compliance of the proper Alternate Pay to Play Non-Fair and Open regulations and measures, required by the State of New Jersey; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Secaucus to award the Payroll and related HR Services contract to Paylocity of Clark, New Jersey in the amount of $49,422.00 for the year of 2015, with the option to extend the contract for two (2) additional (1) one-year terms.

The following resolution was read: No. 2014-425

TOWN OF SECAUCUS, COUNTY OF HUDSON
RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Secaucus, County of Hudson, State of New Jersey that the attached annual notice of Caucus meetings of the Governing Body is hereby approved for the year 2015.

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The following resolution was read: No. 2014-426

TOWN OF SECAUCUS, COUNTY OF HUDSON
RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Secaucus, County of Hudson, State of New Jersey that the attached annual notice of Caucus meetings of the Governing Body is hereby approved for the year 2015.

The following resolution was read: No. 2014-427

TOWN OF SECAUCUS, COUNTY OF HUDSON
RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Secaucus upon the recommendation of Kevin O'Connor , Superintendent of the Department of Public Works, and Raymond Cierciuch, Assistant Superintendent, that the hourly rate for Robert Kitrys is increased to $9.00 effective December 1, 2014.

The following resolution was read: No. 2014-428

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CANCELLATION OF TAX OVERPAYMENTS OR
DELINQUENT AMOUNTS LESS THAN $10.00

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A.40A:5-17 allows for the cancellation of property tax overpayments or delinquent amounts in the amount of less than $10.00; and,

WHEREAS, the governing body may authorize the Tax Collector to process, without further action on their part, any cancellation of property tax overpayments or delinquencies of less than $ 10.00.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council, hereby authorize the Tax Collector to cancel said tax amounts as deemed necessary.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of the Resolution be forwarded to the Tax Collector, the Chief Financial Officer, and the Municipal Auditor.

The following resolution was read: No. 2014-429

TOWN OF SECAUCUS, COUNTY OF HUDSON
RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Town of Secaucus had Bid the C.D.B.G. ROAD PROGRAM for Hudson and 3rd Streets on September 24, 2013; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Secaucus awarded the Bid for the above-captioned project, to A-Team Concrete, Inc. of South River, New Jersey in the amount of $221,030.00 on February 11, 2014 on Purchase Order No. 2014-59; and

WHEREAS, the Town Engineer, Remington and Vernick, recommends Change Orders 1 and 2, consisting of 5 items, increasing and decreasing the contract; and

WHEREAS, the Final Payment increases the overall contract by $8,328.10, a percentage 3.76; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Secaucus to award A-Team Concrete, Inc. the Final Payment amount of $8,328.10.

The following resolution was read: No. 2014-430

TOWN OF SECAUCUS, COUNTY OF HUDSON
RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Town of Secaucus wishes to acquire a DIGITAL VIDEO SURVEILLANCE SYSTEM for the SECAUCUS ANIMAL SHELTER; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Secaucus I.T. Department Consultant, has developed Specifications for the above-captioned project; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Secaucus to Authorize the Receipt of RFQ's and Advertisement, for the project "DIGITAL VIDEO SURVEILLANCE SYSTEM FOR THE SECAUCUS ANIMAL SHELTER"

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The following resolution was read: No. 2014-431

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING TO RECEIVE PROPOSALS FOR ACCEPTING AND PROCESSING OF SPECIFIC RECYCLABLE MATERIALS

WHEREAS, the Town of Secaucus requires submissions from qualified recycling companies to accept and process recyclable materials; and

WHEREAS, Town Counsel has conferred with Secaucus' Recycling Coordinator to address the technical requirements for said contract; and

WHEREAS, the services of Recycling Material Marketer Vendor need not be bid; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Secaucus nevertheless intends that such a contract be awarded via fair and open process.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Administrator is authorized to advertise and request Proposals from authorized vendors to provide the services of accepting and processing specific recyclable materials which will be delivered by the town in accordance with the attached Request for Proposals for a "Recycling Material Marketer Vendor".

BE IT RESOLVED, that the contract shall be a one year contract through December 31, 2015. At the conclusion of the initial term, the Town shall have the right to renew said contract for two (2) one (1) year options.

The following resolution was read: No. 2014-432

AUTHORIZATION THE TOWN OF SECAUCUS TO CANCEL OUTSTANDING CHECKS AND RECONCILING ITEMS

WHEREAS, certain checks have been identified in various accounts by the Director of Finance as outstanding; and

WHEREAS, it is normal financial practice to review the bank accounts for old outstanding items for cancellation with the balances to be returned to the Municipal Court Balance; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to formally cancel said checks so that unnecessary balances may be returned to the Surplus Balance in the Current Fund;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Secaucus, that the following old outstanding check, be cancelled for

See the attached list: 592.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that he following reconciling items be cancelled:

$592.00

BE IT FURHTER RESOLVED, that a certified copy of this resolution shall be provided by the Town Clerk to each of the following:

1. Director of Finance/CMFO
2. Town Auditor

The following resolution as read: No. 2014-433

AUTHORIZATION THE TOWN OF SECAUCUS TO CANCEL OUTSTANDING CHECKS AND RECONCILING ITEMS

WHEREAS, certain checks have been identified in various accounts by the Director of Finance as outstanding; and

WHEREAS, it is normal financial practice to review the bank accounts for old outstanding items for cancellation with the balances to be returned to the Municipal Court Balance; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to formally cancel said checks so that unnecessary balances may be returned to the Surplus Balance in the Current Fund;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Secaucus, that the following old outstanding check, be cancelled for:

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See attached list:

Payroll Account $5237.35
Td Current A/C: $22470.64
$27707.99

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the following reconciling items be cancelled:

$22,707.99

BE IT FURHTER RESOLVED, that a certified copy of this resolution shall be provided by the Town Clerk to each of the following:

1. Director of Finance/CMFO
2. Town Auditor

The following resolution was read: No. 2014-434

TOWN OF SECAUCUS, COUNTY OF HUDSON
RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Secaucus, County of Hudson, State of New Jersey, that the Chief Financial Official be and is hereby authorized to make the following transfers in accordance with the N,.J.,S,A, 40A:4-587, two thirds of the full membership of the Town Council concurring:

GENERAL

TRANSFER TO		TRANSFER FROM	
Administrative & Executive Salaries & Wages	15,000	Community Shuttle Bus Other Expenses	3,000
Tax Litigation Other Expenses	20,000	Municipal Court Salaries & Wages	30,000
Town Clerk's Office Other Expenses	10,000	Municipal Court Other Expenses	5,000
Group Insurance for Employees	25,000	Public Bldgs & Grounds Salaries & Wages	10,000
Construction Official Salaries & Wages	5,000	Public Bldgs & Grounds Other Expenses	40,000
Construction Official Other Expenses	5,000	Police Department Salaries & Wages	44,100
Social Security	40,000	Communication & Security Salaries & Wages	10,000
Rehab of Recreation Center	4,600		
Recreation Activities Salaries & Wages	2,500		
Electricity-All Department	15,000		
Total	142,100	Total	142,100

The following resolution was read: No. 2014-435

TOWN OF SECAUCUS, COUNTY OF HUDSON
RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Governing Body of the Town of Secaucus, County of Hudson, State of New Jersey, that pursuant to the recommendation of John Voli, Recreation Director of the Town of Secaucus, the following person is hereby appointed as Maintenance Personnel to the Secaucus Recreation Center, effective December 12, 2014 at the following hourly wage rate:

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RECREATION CENTER

Maintenance	Hourly Rate
Jonathan Logan	8.25

The following resolution was read: No. 2014-436

TOWN OF SECAUCUS, COUNTY OF HUDSON
RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Secaucus that the Town Clerk is hereby authorized to advertise for and receive bids for a Mini Recycling/Garbage Truck for the Town of Secaucus.

The following resolution was read: No. 2014-437

TOWN OF SECAUCUS, COUNTY OF HUDSON
RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Secaucus, County of Hudson, State of as follows:

Section 1. The annual salaries for Non-Union Administrative Employees as of January 1, 2015 are as follows:

SEE ATTACHED SCHEDULE A

The following resolution was read: No. 2014-438

TOWN OF SECAUCUS, COUNTY OF HUDSON
RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Secaucus, pursuant to a recommendation from the Personnel Committee is hereby increasing the following salaries effective January 1, 2014:

Vincent Massaro, Fire Official, $68,618
Marie Eck, Assistant Town Clerk/Registrar $59,041.13
Lisa Snedeker, Director of Community and Senior Programs and
Sandra M. D'arzen, Qualified Purchasing Agent, $69,026.42

The following resolution was read: No. 2014-439

Authorizing Resolution:
Flood Hazard Risk Reduction and Resiliency Grant Program

WHEREAS, the local economy, public infrastructure, private residences, and commercial and industrial properties within the Town of Secaucus incurred damages during Hurricane Sandy; and

WHEREAS, town officials, residents, and environmental professionals have observed that the town is still vulnerable to coastal storm impacts, and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Town of Secaucus believe that upgrading the Born Street Pumping Station would mitigate significant hazards from coastal storms; and
WHEREAS, the Flood Hazard Risk Reduction and Resiliency Program supports projects that reduce storm surge or flood risk;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Council of the Town of Secaucus authorizes Mayor Michael Gonnelli, Town Administrator David Drumeler, or the successor to either of these offices to submit the necessary application materials to the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection in request of funding under the Flood Hazard Risk Reduction and Resiliency Program;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Council of the Town of Secaucus authorizes Mayor Michael Gonnelli, Town Administrator David Drumeler, or the successor to either of these offices to sign a grant agreement on behalf of the Town of Secaucus;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town of Secaucus will provide supplementary funding for this project should the need arise.

The following resolution was read: No. 2014-440

Flood Hazard Risk Reduction and Resiliency Grant Program

WHEREAS, the local economy, public infrastructure, private residences, and commercial and industrial properties within the Town of Secaucus incurred damages during Hurricane Sandy; and

WHEREAS, town officials, residents, and environmental professionals have observed that the town is still vulnerable to coastal storm impacts, and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Town of Secaucus believe that installing the High School Backup Emergency Pump Improvements would mitigate significant hazards from coastal storms; and

WHEREAS, the Flood Hazard Risk Reduction and Resiliency Program supports projects that reduce storm surge or flood risk;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Council of the Town of Secaucus authorizes Mayor Michael Gonnelli, Town Administrator David Drumeler, or the successor to either of these offices to submit the necessary application materials to the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection in request of funding under the Flood Hazard Risk Reduction and Resiliency Program;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Council of the Town of Secaucus authorizes Mayor Michael Gonnelli, Town Administrator David Drumeler, or the successor to either of these offices to sign a grant agreement on behalf of the Town of Secaucus;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town of Secaucus will provide supplementary funding for this project should the need arise.

The following resolution was read: No. 2014-441

Flood Hazard Risk Reduction and Resiliency Grant Program

WHEREAS, the local economy, public infrastructure, private residences, and commercial and industrial properties within the Town of Secaucus incurred damages during Hurricane Sandy; and

WHEREAS, town officials, residents, and environmental professionals have observed that the town is still vulnerable to coastal storm impacts, and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Town of Secaucus believe that installing the Acorn Street Backup Pump Station and Emergency Generator Improvements would mitigate significant hazards from coastal storms; and

WHEREAS, the Flood Hazard Risk Reduction and Resiliency Program supports projects that reduce storm surge or flood risk;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Council of the Town of Secaucus authorizes Mayor Michael Gonnelli, Town Administrator David Drumeler, or the successor to either of these offices to submit the necessary application materials to the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection in request of funding under the Flood Hazard Risk Reduction and Resiliency Program;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Council of the Town of Secaucus authorizes Mayor Michael Gonnelli, Town Administrator David Drumeler, or the successor to either of these offices to sign a grant agreement on behalf of the Town of Secaucus;

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town of Secaucus will provide supplementary funding for this project should the need arise.

The following resolution was read: No. 2014-442

TOWN OF SECAUCUS, COUNTY OF HUDSON
RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Secaucus, upon recommendation by Senior & Social Services Director, Lisa Snedeker, that Judy Kennelly is hereby appointed to the position of Administrative Assistant in Social Service, effective Monday, December 22, 2014 with a salary of $35,000.00 per annum.

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The following resolution was read: No.2014-443

TOWN OF SECAUCUS, COUNTY OF HUDSON
RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Deputy/Acting Police Chief has announced his retirement; and

WHEREAS, in the absence of the Chief of Police, there is a need to designate an Officer in Charge of the Secaucus Police Department; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 28-3.2 of the Code of the Town of Secaucus, the Police Committee has the power to make this appointment;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RATIFIED that Captain Kevin Flaherty is hereby designated Officer in Charge of the Secaucus Police department effective at the close of business on Friday, December 12, 2014; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Administrator is hereby authorized to sign any contract and/or take any additional action necessary to effectuate the intent and purpose of this Resolution.

Councilwoman Pirro moved that the foregoing resolutions on the Consent Agenda be approved, seconded by Councilman Costantino.

AYES: Jeffas, Costantino, McKeever, Clancy, Pirro, Dehnert, Gonnelli
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None Motion carried.

PAYMENT OF CLAIMS

Councilwoman Pirro moved that the following Salary Vouchers and Claims Fund Register be approved, seconded by Councilman Dehnert.

Town of Secaucus Payroll Acct. w/ending 12/5/14		$533,888.79
Adm.& Exec	16,876.99	
Mayor & Council	10,579.71	
Municipal Clerk	9,702.63	
Community Shuttle Bus	2,687.84	
Legal Dept.	000.00	
Municipal Court	15,553.82	
Engineering	000.00	
Pub. Bldgs. & Grds.	48,025.56	
Off. Of Inspect.	9,496.93	
Planning Board	64.03	
Bd. Of Adjustments	58.91	
Public Defender	000.00	
Comm. & Security Adm	3,455.39	
Construction	16,512.18	
Treasurer	21,671.49	
Tax Assessor	6,694.16	
Tax Collector	6,235.39	
Police Dept.	357,769.93	
School Cross Grds.	11,075.89	
Office of Emergency Man.	576.92	
Unif. Fire Safety Off.	5,063.65	
Rd. Repair & Maint.	167,541.98	
Sewer System	1,298.55	
Recycling Coord.	15,743.54	
Bd.of Health	5,891.18	
Mosquito Control	00.00	
Social Services	14,258.53	
Pks. & Play Grds.	000.00	
Supv. Of Play Act.	47,009.25	
Rec. Activities	00.00	
Social Security	39,701.76	
Pool Oper.	000.00	
Grant Fund (OEM)	0.00	
CDBG	00.00	
Town of Secaucus Tax Escrow Acct. w/ending 12/05/2014		$259,953.66
Town of Secaucus Payroll Acct. w/ending 12/19/2014		$436,274.26
Adm.& Exec	15,274.01	
Mayor & Council	1,523.08	
Municipal Clerk	8,074.85	
Legal Dept.	000.00	
Community Shuttle Bus	2,106.50	
Municipal Court	17,023.15	

Engineering	000.00
Pub. Bldgs. & Grds.	36,320.09
Off. Of Inspect.	7,002.27
Planning Board	64.03
Bd. Of Adjustments	158.91
Public Defender	000.00
Comm. & Security Adm	3,191.59
Construction	15,207.36
Treasurer	18,319.30
Tax Assessor	6,014.96
Tax Collector	5,196.16
Police Dept.	335,447.46
School Cross Grds.	13,574.14
Office of Emergency Man.	576.92
Unif. Fire Safety Off.	4,618.62
Rd. Repair & Maint.	123,996.71
Sewer System	385.84
Recycling Coord.	8,862.65
Bd.of Health	3,582.80
Mosquito Control	00.00
Social Services	13,647.26
Fire Department	00.00
Pks. & Play Grds.	000.00
Supv. Of Play Act.	43,925.96
Rec. Activities	00.00
Social Security	32,075.61
Pool Oper.	000.00
Grant Fund (OEM)	000.00
CDBG	000.00

Town of Secaucus Tax Escrow Acct. w/ending 12/19/2014 $248,920.36

Total Amount Claims Check No.43826-44069 $3,091,461.44

Recreation Acct Check No. 1007-1011 $ 264,428.73

Recreation On-Line No checks written

Voided: Check Nos. 35560-43805 Current Fund

Note: Current and Trust Account checks are now part of the Total amount of Claims.

AYES: Jeffas, Costantino, McKeever, Clancy, Pirro, Dehnert, Gonnelli
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: Gonnelli on Fire Department bills and Bill 42290.
ABSENT: None Motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS REQUIRING ACTION BY MAYOR AND COUNCIL

1) Township of Nutley to use the Swim Center on two dates.

2) Boy Scouts of America to use the Senior Center.

Councilman Jeffas moved to approve the foregoing items, seconded by Councilman Costantino.

AYES: Jeffas, Costantino, McKeever, Clancy, Pirro, Dehnert, Gonnelli
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None Motion carried.

1) Acceptance of Nicholas Lang to Tower 2 of the Volunteer Fire Department.

Councilwoman Pirro moved to approve the foregoing item, seconded by Councilman Dehnert.

AYES: Jeffas, Costantino, McKeever, Clancy, Pirro, Dehnert, Gonnelli
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: Gonnelli
ABSENT: None Motion carried.

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REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE REGISTER

Councilwoman Pirro approved the Correspondence Register, seconded by Councilman Jeffas.

AYES: Jeffas, Costantino, McKeever, Clancy, Pirro, Dehnert, Gonnelli
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Councilman Jeffas reported on the Police Committee and commented on the changes in the Police Department. Comments were offered by Mayor Gonnelli as well as Councilman Costantino.

Councilman Costantino gave an update regarding construction department revenue.

Councilman Clancy spoke about the Shade Tree Committee. He also spoke about a traffic problem in Harmon Meadow as there was a large convention being held at the convention center. He added information regarding the Fire Department position changes/promotions.

Councilwoman Pirro stated that there will be classes regarding mold awareness provided by Hudson Regional Health Commission.

Councilman Dehnert spoke about airport noise. He also spoke about the reopening of PATH in Jersey City. He stated that there was a donation given to the Recreation Center.

Councilman McKeever spoke about the "Wreaths Across America" program.

Mayor Gonnelli thanked the Events Committee for their work at the Tree Lighting.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Councilman Jeffas spoke about the County Facility on County Avenue and the plan to move the Youth House. He also spoke about an upcoming event.

Councilman Costantino spoke about the savings on the use of solar panels.

Councilman Clancy spoke about upcoming events and asked for support from the residents.

Councilwoman Pirro spoke about an upcoming fund raiser. She also offered a report from the Office of Emergency management.

Councilman Dehnert spoke about upcoming sport events.

Councilman McKeever spoke about a contract awarded which will enable renovations at the Elms Senior Center. He also talked about upcoming events.

Mayor Gonnelli spoke about an upcoming Bill that will be presented to the State to be signed regarding Tax Sharing/ Meadowlands Commission and Sports Authority and revenue that will affect the Town.

NEW BUSINESS

Councilman Costantino spoke about the upcoming trip for the Recreation football team. He continued with information on a Bond Ordinance passed by the County regarding the Hudson County Hi-Tech School being moved to the Laurel Hill Park area.

Councilman Clancy spoke about the Swatch Company and their donation.

Councilwoman Pirro spoke about an upcoming event.

Mayor Gonnelli stated that the swearing in for Council members as well as Fire Department personnel will be on January 3, 2015 at 12:00 noon. He also spoke about weather and the fact that there was very little flooding.

Councilwoman Pirro wished all Happy Holidays.

Mayor Gonnelli also wished all Happy Holidays.

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REMARKS OF CITIZENS

Nicola Mammes and Jonathan DeVries from the Rutgers Bloustein School of Planning presented the Strategic Community Resiliency Plan for the Town of Secaucus.

Councilman Jeffas moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:25 pm, seconded by Councilman Costantino.

AYES: Jeffas, Costantino, McKeever, Pirro, Dehnert, Gonnelli
NAYS: None
ABSENT: Clancy

Motion carried.

Michael Marra, Town Clerk